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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:)
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FOR REAGENTLESS)
MEASUREMENT OF ANALYTES)
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Initially, please change the attorney docket number from "13202.00354" to --213202.00354--.

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please insert the following Abstract as a separate page after page 78 of the specification:

ABSTRACT

The present invention provides a method of monitoring calibration of a spectrophotometric apparatus that